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## **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

The Honorable Tim Armstead Speaker, West Virginia House of Delegates Room 228M, Building 1 State Capitol Complex Charleston, WV 25305

Re: Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2648

Dear Speaker Armstead:

Pursuant to the provisions of section fourteen, article VII of the Constitution of West Virginia, I hereby disapprove and return the Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2648.

This bill purports to create a new article in the West Virginia Code titled the "Epinephrine Auto-Injector Availability and Use Act," designated article forty-six of chapter sixteen. However, this same article was utilized this Regular Session to enact the separate "Access to Opioid Antagonists Act," which I signed into law on March 9, 2015. In light of this statutory conflict, I am constrained to disapprove and return this bill. I urge the Legislature to repair the technical error identified herein by amending this bill on reconsideration to create a new article in the West Virginia Code for the Epinephrine Auto-Injector Availability and Use Act.

Sincerely,

Earl Ray Comblin

Governor

cc: The Hon. William P. Cole, III
President of the Senate

The Hon. Natalie E. Tennant Secretary of State